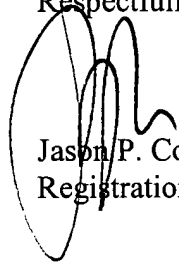


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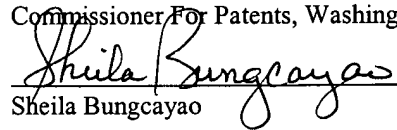
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In The Claims:

Please amend Claims 7, 8, 10, and 31 to read as follows:

7. (Amended) The panel of claims 1 or [and] 4, wherein the reinforcement means (7B) comprise metal sections constituting the visible face (12) of the edges (3a) of the panel (1).

8. (Amended) The panel of claim[s] 4 [and 7], wherein the section (7B) constituting the edges of the panel is an angle section and the web (12) thereof is wider than the thickness of the edges and is folded orthogonally parallel to the surface of the concealed face of the panel to form an anchorage tab (13), which may have a stiffening flange (14) directed towards the surface of said concealed face (8) of the panel (1).

10. (Amended) The panel of claim[s] 6 [and 7], wherein the metal sections (7A, 7B, 23) are provided with apertures (15) in the webs and/or seating wings thereof allowing the passage of the mass of resistant material of the body (22), so as intimately to embrace [] part of the body of the metal sections (7A, 7B, 23).

11. (Amended) The panel of claim[s] 6 [and 7], wherein some of the metal sections (7A, 7B, 23) are situated lengthwise (23A) and others crosswise (23B) relative to the panel (21), forming a frame arrangement.

31. (Amended) The plant of claims 25 or [and] 26, wherein the shelving tunnels (a, k) are provided with means for heating and/or stacking the loaded mold carriers.